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SUBJECT: RESETTLEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

REF: (A) STATE 97854; (B) ABU DHABI 1001

1. IN RESPONSE TO FONMIN QUERY, THERE ARE ABOUT 115,000 REFUGEES FROM INDOCHINA IN THE US SYSTEM AT THE PRESENT TIME -- EITHER ON THE HIGH SEAS, AT OUR WESTERN PACIFIC STAGING AREAS, THE THREE RECEPTION CENTERS, OR HAVE COMPLETED PROCESSING. THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE POCKETS OF VIETNAMESE IN OTHER AREAS, SUCH AS SINGAPORE AND HONG KONG WHICH NUMBER ABOUT 15,000. THIS NUMBER FLUCTUATES AS VIETNAMESE CONTINUE TO FLEE IN SMALL BOATS AND APPEAR IN SURROUNDING AREAS.

2. FRANKLY, WE BELIEVE UAEG FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION OFFERS BEST AND MOST EXPEDITIOUS MANNER IN WHICH THEY COULD DEMONSTRATE THEIR CONCERN FOR THIS HUMAN TRAGEDY. FUNDS
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SHOULD BE PROVIDED TO UNHCR AND/OR ICEM WHO ARE THE

PRINCIPAL INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES INVOLVED IN THIRD COUNTRY
RESETTLEMENT.

3. IF UAEG ALSO WISHES TO ACCEPT SOME REFUGEES FOR RESETT-
LEMENT, WE WOULD PASS THIS INFORMATION TO THE UNHCR AND
ICEM WHO WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR FOLLOW-UP WITH UAEG TO

DETERMINE WHAT TYPE OF REFUGEES COULD BE USEFULLY
RESETTLED. IN SHORT, THEY WOULD HANDLE DIRECT CONSULTA-
TIONS WITH THE HOST GOVERNMENT, SCREENING AND TRANSPORTA-
TION ARRANGEMENTS.

4. PLEASE KEEP DEPARTMENT ADVISED AND ALSO SLUG US
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